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600 S. Main Street  
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## **Riverside County to Orange County Major Investment Study- Request be added to email/mailling list for Project Development Team**

Dear Mr. Standiford and Ms. Warren:

The Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority (WCCA) is requesting that you add our agency to the email/mailling list for Project Development Team for the Riverside County to Orange County Major Investment Study (MIS). Please use the following contact information:

Judi Tamasi  
Project Analyst  
Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority  
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As you know, WCCA is a joint powers agency comprised of the cities of Brea, Diamond Bar, Whittier, and La Habra Heights, and Los Angeles County, California Department of Parks and Recreation, California Department of Fish and Game, and the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy. WCCA was established to provide for the proper planning, conservation, environmental protection, and maintenance of the habitat and wildlife corridor between the Whittier-Puente Hills and the Cleveland National Forest in the Santa Ana Mountains. A member of our staff, Judi Tamasi, requested that WCCA be added to the email/mailling list for the Stakeholder Advisory Committee and the technical advisory committee. Mr. Tony Rahimian responded that WCCA was added to the mail/email list for the Stakeholder Advisory Committee.

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WCCA has a legitimate and direct interest in also receiving information regarding the meetings of the technical advisory committee, or Project Development Team. Many agencies participate in the PDT, and WCCA represents several agencies. Part of the Puente-Chino Hills wildlife corridor is included in the Analysis Area, Influence Area, and MIS Corridor for the MIS. Also, adverse impacts to the wildlife corridor resulting from transportation MIS improvements could have lasting effects on the resources in other areas of the corridor.

We would like to receive the information regarding the PDT meetings, and we may send one or two people occasionally to the PDT meetings. With the combined experience of WCCA Board members, WCCA Advisory Committee members, and staff, we believe we can provide valuable additional information to the PDT. It is important for RCTC and OCTA to receive the relevant information regarding the Puente-Chino Hills wildlife corridor as the planning effort develops, rather than at the end of the process.

If you decide not to include WCCA on the mailing/email list for the PDT, we request a written response with the rationale. Please also provide a written description of the criteria for allowing participation in the PDT. It is our understanding that the MIS is an open and collaborative process. We look forward to working with you on the MIS. Please contact Judi Tamasi if you have any questions at (310) 589-3200, ext. 121.

Sincerely,

Steven A. Feld  
Chairperson

cc: Tony Rahimian, RMC, Inc.  
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